

# INTRODUCTION

Dear Prospective Bhangra Team,

Thank you for your interest in performing at the Legacy of Bhangra Competition. This year our show will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at the Heritage Theater in Campbell, CA. California is home to some of the most legendary Bhangra competitions in the circuit, such as Dhol Di Awaz, Bulldog Bhangra, and Bruin Bhangra. The idea of this competition came about when a group of dancers realized that the golden state was lacking opportunities for dancers to showcase their talent. As the years go by, there are fewer competitions in California that showcased Live and Music Bhangra under one roof. This is when we decided that California needs to hold a competition that caters to the dancer's needs. As a nonprofit organization, our aim is to give dancers those opportunities back. Although the Bay Area is thriving with live and music teams, it is no longer home to a competition that leaves behind a legacy. What our motto, "Bigger, Better, Virsa", means to us:

"I would define it as a chance for our generation to experience the joy that our parents and grandparents had the privilege to call their culture. The chance to relive the time our culture was considered one of the most vibrant community in California. The opportunity to rejuvenate our roots for younger generations to appreciate."

Lovejot Kaur

"The chance to reinvigorate the heritage that was passed down to us from generations of proud Punjabi people, therefore allowing us to modernize the culture that we all hold so near and dear to our hearts. We are uniting people from all over Punjab onto one platform, similar to the five rivers of Punjab uniting into one sea."

Anurag Sandhu

We appreciate your interest in applying for Legacy of Bhangra and look forward to reviewing your application. Enclosed in this packet, you will find more detailed information about the competition and the registration process. Please submit all necessary items with your registration fee in order for your application to be taken into consideration. A confirmation email will be sent once the registration packet has been received by the committee.

If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at legacyofbhangra@gmail.com. We are fully committed to providing you with a great experience at Legacy of Bhangra. We will perform to the best of our abilities to provide you with ultimate comfort and relaxation. Whether it is a little need or a huge favor, we guarantee that it will be taken care of. Our committee looks forward to seeing you in September!

Respectfully, Legacy of Bhangra Committee

## DETAILED INFORMATION

### **Registration Deadlines and Fees**

Regular registration 11:59 PM PST on Friday, May 31st, 2019 with a fee of \$200.00. Late registration 11:59 PM PST on Monday, July 1st, 2019 with a fee of \$250.00. Exhibition registration 11:59 PM PST on Monday, July 1st, 2019 with a fee of \$125.00

Teams should submit their registration packet and 3-5-minute practice video electronically at legacyofbhangra.com. The video must be in a non-competition setting and should include all dancers that will be participating at the competition. It may be sent in any video format, even YouTube, as long as it works on more than one computer. Anything submitted to us officially becomes property of Legacy of Bhangra.

All payments must be paid through PayPal on our <u>website</u>; our e-mail for PayPal is legacyofbhangra@gmail.com. While making the payment, please indicate the team you are representing. If the registration fee is being mailed to us, it must be submitted a week before the respective deadline. If your team cannot submit electronically you may also send registration materials to the address below. However, all materials must be received by the respective registration deadline. Please postmark in advance so that you can ensure the materials are received by the required date.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO LEGACY OF BHANGRA.

Legacy of Bhangra c/o Harnek Parmar 32528 Jean Drive Union City, CA 94587

#### **Exhibition Teams**

Exhibition performances must follow the same registration process as all other competing teams. In case a competing team is not chosen to compete, they can indicate if they are interested in performing as an exhibition act in the registration form. However, the processing fee will remain the same.

# REGISTRATION FEES, REGARDLESS OF THE AMOUNT AND YOUR TEAMS ACCEPTANCE INTO THE COMPETITION. ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

#### Selection Process

Kindly, allow us a week to take the teams into consideration and deliberate on a decision. Teams selected to participate will be informed by both phone and email. Once teams are chosen and informed, they will have **24 hours** to confirm with us of their team's intent to perform at the competition. Any team that does not confirm their acceptance within **24** hours will have their application dismissed.

#### **Prizes**

**Music Category** 

1<sup>st</sup> Place \$2000 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$1000

Live Category

1<sup>st</sup> Place \$2000 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$1000

DISCLAIMER-: Live category only applicable if at least four teams have completed their preliminary protocols successfully. If this condition is not met, then music teams will be increased and the prize money will be distributed as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place \$2500 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$1.000

### **Competition Day**

### Rehearsal (Tech Time)

Each team will be allowed **15 minutes** of stage time on the morning of the competition. Your team's rehearsal time will be informed to the captain at the team mixer. It is vital that every team and participant make it to the rehearsal in a timely manner. Every team, including the exhibition act, must reach the venue 20 minutes prior to their rehearsal time. If teams fail to arrive during their respective time, they will no longer be given the opportunity to practice on stage. Please be respectful to the time allowed and take advantage of it.

No team is allowed to watch any other team's rehearsal. If caught, they will be banned from performing.

#### **Evening**

Doors will open at 5 PM and the show will begin at 6 PM.

Check in at the venue begins at 3PM. Teams are encouraged to arrive no later than 4:30PM. All teams must be backstage 15 minutes prior to their performance.

#### Out of State Team Information

For any teams flying out of state to Legacy of Bhangra, the nearest airport to the hotel and venue is listed below:

San Jose International Airport 1701 Airport Blvd. San Jose, CA 95110

### Financial Help

The Legacy of Bhangra Committee unfortunately cannot help with any cost related to travel such as airfare for out of state/country teams. However if funding may allow us to provide any additional assistance we may be offer, so please contact us via email for any questions or concerns.

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- > Registration fee is **NONREFUNDABLE**.
- > Teams are allowed up to 16 performers on stage.
- ➤ Live Category:
  - o Maximum 12 dancers
  - o 5 band members, 2 alternates
  - o 4 extras with a fee of \$45 per person
- Music Category:
  - o Maximum 16 dancers
  - o 1 band members, 2 alternates
  - 4 extras with a fee of \$45 per person
- > The \$45 fee only allows entrance into the mixer and show.
- A valid photocopy of a Driver's License, ID, School ID, or Passport must be sent for all participants, noncompeting individuals, and as well as alternates. No one will be allowed under any circumstances to enter any Legacy of Bhangra event without presenting the same form of identification that will be photocopied and sent with the Registration Packet.
- > Music category are required to perform for 8 minutes. Live category performances are required to perform for 10 minutes, which includes any scenes to start or conclude the performance. If any team does not meet the allotted time for any of the categories, points will be deducted from the team's overall score.
- ➤ Only 1 minute is allowed for prop set up and all performances have 1 minute to vacate the stage after their performance is over. Points will be deducted if any team goes over the time limit. Oversized props will be allowed on stage but assure that everything is set up in a timely manner where there will be no delay to the show.
- > Only the individuals on the roster will be allowed backstage, as long as they present the wristband given to them upon their arrival. Under no circumstances will anyone not on the roster be allowed to participate, enter, or partake in any Legacy of Bhangra event.
- No hazardous props may be used such as Kirpans. Any props or instruments besides the Tumbi, Dhol, Daang/Khunda, Kato, Algozey, Chimta, or Shikka/Saap, must get prior approval by the committee.
- No teams will be allowed to use props that may cause structural damage to the stage such as glitter, confetti, pyrotechnics, magic dust, or fireworks. Stage must be in the same condition before and after the performance. Once selected, teams will be notified of the venue's rules. Each team will be held **liable** for any financial penalties if rules are broken.
- A person is only allowed to perform for one team. If "team hopping" occurs and Legacy of Bhangra Committee becomes aware of it, both teams will automatically be disqualified.

- ➤ Consumption of alcohol or any other illegal substances will be strictly prohibited at any of the Legacy of Bhangra events and venues, along with the hotel.
- If any team arrives late to their rehearsal time, they will not be allowed to practice on stage. It is vital that all teams make it to their scheduled rehearsal time in a timely manner.
- > Each team has to be backstage and dressed 15 minutes prior to their performance.
- > The team captain must understand that their team is coming to Santa Clara, CA and it is important that they have all proper legal documentations and visas if traveling from out of the country.
- Any threat, harassment, confrontation, debate, argument, or abuse amongst teams, Legacy of Bhangra committee, as well as respective judges will result in disqualification.
- Legacy of Bhangra or anyone associated cannot be held liable for any and all claims, damages, costs, or expenses, including legal fees suffered or incurred in connection with the event. Legacy of Bhangra will not be held responsible for any lost or stolen items. Each team is held accountable for any property damage that may be caused. Legacy of Bhangra is not held liable to any costs related to injury or any accidents. It is highly recommended that all teams get medical and/or travel insurance.
- Everyone must voluntarily participate in the competition. Teams are responsible for any structural, surface, or property damage they cause at any Legacy of Bhangra vicinity. All captains are held fully responsible for the negligence of their teammates as well as all actions during the weekend of the competition. Legacy of Bhangra will not be at fault/accused for any personal loss, risks that may occur, or any other possible consequences.
- ➤ Legacy of Bhangra reserves the right to revoke the prizes to any teams that violate any of the rules. Failure to comply by the rules will lead to automatic disqualification of the team.
- Legacy of Bhangra reserves the right to add, subtract, or revise existing rules as it sees fit. All teams will be notified of any changes made to the rules and regulations.

## CHECKLIST

Please click the "Registration" Tab after reading this packet, on <u>legacyofbhangra.com</u>. Registration fees can be paid online by using PayPal on <u>legacyofbhangra.com</u> click on the Registration Link, or by mail. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO LEGACY OF BHANGRA.

Mail checks as well as hard copies of the Registration Packet to:

32528 Jean Drive, Union City, CA 94587

### To do list:

Thoroughly read the rules/regulations and the detailed information on all pages. Please accurately and completely fill out, sign, and send the following:

- ✓ Registration Form
- ✓ Consent Form
- ✓ 3/5-minute practice video
- ✓ Registration fee

**REMINDER**: The intro video may be sent in any video format, or YouTube, as long as it works on more than one computer.

In order for your Registration Packet to be considered complete, the registration form, consent form, identifications, practice video, and registration fee must be turned in. Once we receive those items, you will receive a confirmation email. We look forward to reviewing your application and wish you the best of luck!

Remember, "Bigger, Better, Virsa!"